

Intergovernmental Water Board

Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2005

Members Present: Patrick Carroll, Dick Winn, Bill Scheiderich, Beverly Froude, Sidney Sherwood (Alternate)

Members Absent: Tom Woodruff

Staff Present: Brian Rager and Twila Willson

Visitors: Henrietta Cochrun

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions

Commissioner Scheiderich called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes – July 13, 2005

The minutes indicated the meeting was called to order at **7:31 p.m.**, when, in fact, it should read as follows:

*“Commissioner Bill Scheiderich called the meeting to order at **5:31 p.m.** Sidney Sherwood, Alternate representative from the City of Tigard was in attendance. Commissioner Tom Woodruff arrived late (**5:33 p.m.**)”*

Commissioner Dick Winn motioned to approve the minutes as corrected, Councilor Sidney Sherwood seconded the motion and the board voted unanimous to accept the minutes as corrected.

3. Long Term Water Supply Update – Brian Rager

Portland - Copies of the most recent Portland contract were distributed for review by the board members. The peak price for water would be \$.88 ccf and the non peak price would be about one-fourth that amount. May 22, 2006, is the final date that Portland has set for a decision from the involved wholesale buyers.

The City of Sherwood and Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD) will be going to a vote of their citizens for the Willamette River as a water source. TVWD is looking at the Willamette River as a primary water source.

Joint Water Commission (JWC) – The environmental study is still pending. May 2006 will be the time to make a decision about continuing with the JWC.

Lake Oswego – Staff from both Tigard and Lake Oswego are still working together on negotiations and preparing common apples to apples statistics and information for

comparison. An intergovernmental agreement (IGA) draft is anticipated for consideration in May 2006.

Willamette River – There are still some citizens against the Willamette River, but they are not as vocal as in the past.

Look on the webpage for information: www.willametteriver.org

Commissioner Scheiderich was concerned about the draft agreement between Tigard and Lake Oswego getting too far along before the board had a chance to review the IGA. He said he would like to see early draft information so that problems do not occur.

4. *Informational Items – Brian Rager*

Staff distributed informational items, which included newspaper articles. Also distributed was the water purchase statistic information for the months of September and October.

Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) – The state requires us to retain 5% water at the end of withdrawal; the hydro geologist suggests pumping some of the groundwater and replacing it with storage water. Water demand has dropped, but Tigard still has the Portland requirements to meet as well as the JWC agreement, so staff is not sure if that approach would be possible.

ASR water is drinkable when injected and is again chlorinated when it is extracted. There is a back flushing process performed every two weeks.

CIP Contract on Bull Mountain. – The project has not started yet, but is to be completed by the end of January or first part of February 2006. Pipe is now on site. A below ground detention system is being installed for backflow purposes.

Telemetry System - Telemetry system upgrades have been approved through Tigard City Council. The JWC has already performed their upgrade and Tigard is piggy backing on that work. Portland Engineering, Inc., has been awarded the contract for the system upgrade which will include a whole new system replacing the current system, software, etc., and rolling over the information from the old system into the new system. The new system is a radio frequency system, whereas the old system is a phone processed system.

The JWC is up and running with their new system with some as-builts and other minor items that need to be cleaned up, but basically they are using the new system. Software and components are off the shelf items so it should not be difficult to replace anything.

The Tigard Water District building will house the new telemetry system and will have a back-up generator in case of power outages.

Property acquisition updates – Staff is working with property owners and the City attorney and will be going to the Council soon with that proposal. The property being looked at would be suitable for a pocket park over the reservoir. The reservoir would have a hatch to access for monitoring and cleaning. Access would be through a private driveway with an agreement through the property owner.

The north side of Bull Mountain calls for a 550 ft. reservoir also. Staff has also been working with a property owner in that area who is interested in negotiating with the City.

WCCCA Tower at Canterbury Site – Tigard will have a draft lease for review soon. The board discussed that they thought the City should have access to the tower for use and requested that provision be included in the agreement. The technical issues would be reviewed as to whether a larger power output could be used with the WCCCA permits.

5. Public Comments - None

6. Non Agenda Items

Commissioner Scheiderich was curious about using auditorium as a homeless shelter during cold winter months. Councilor Sherwood said there has been some talk in the county for an emergency cold weather plan but they were working with churches now, rather than using the auditorium as an option.

Brian Rager brought to the attention of the board an issue with Gage Industries on Hunziker.

- The site had a water leak in the fire line which was detected the end of 2003
- Staff tried contacting Gage Industries repeatedly, without results
- Contacted was eventually made with Deering Management Group who is the property management company for the property site
- Sent letters requesting they comply by making repairs
- Sent a bill for \$9,000+ for lost water
- Management company said that Tigard was contacting the wrong person for a long period of time
- As soon as they received the notice, they started working on locating and making the repairs
- Over \$11,000 was spent for the detection alone
- Fixing the damage cost even more
- Management company is asking the city to forgive the lost water costs

The board discussed the issue and ultimately requested that the management group put their request in writing and present it to the board at a future meeting.

Mr. Rager said he would also research the City's efforts to make contact with the customer.

7. Next Meeting - Wednesday, November 9, 2005, 5:30 p.m. – Water Auditorium

8. Adjournment – Approximate Time 7:00 p.m.

The IWB meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.